"(c) The entire extent to be benefited by the scheme belongs to the Government inasmuch as it comprises ryotwari lands and the old zamindari lands taken over by the Government."

Upper Anicut channel scheme, Tiruchirappalli district.

* 1018 Q.—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Upper Anicut channel scheme, a major irrigation scheme in Tiruchirappalli district referred to in G.O. No. 443, Irrigation, dated 8th May 1905, was ever fully investigated; and

(b) if so, when the Government propose to take up the scheme?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (a) The scheme was fully investigated before it was abandoned in 1905 but not afterwards.

" (b) Does not arise."

Taking up of some roads by the Highways Department in South Kanara.

* 1019 Q.—SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether there is any proposal before the Government for taking up the following roads from District Board, South Kanara, to Highways Department in view of the importance of those roads, viz., Kota-Goliyangadi Road and Brahmawar-Jannadi Road of Udipi taluk, South Kanara district?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" The answer is in the negative."

Misappropriation of Government money by village officers.

* 1020 Q.—SRI G. SATYANARAYANA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many cases of misappropriation by village officers of land revenue and of loans due to the Government have been brought to the notice of the Government; how many of such cases arose in West Godavari and what was the amount thus misappropriated; and

(b) whether the officers responsible for misappropriation still continue in office and what action the Government propose to take in these cases?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) The particulars regarding the total number of cases of misappropriation by village officers of land revenue and of loans that have been brought to the notice of Government are not readily available. They have to be gathered and compiled for each district. The work will involve considerable time and labour in several offices and will not be commensurate with the purpose served. Details regarding the